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Application of: Hastings, et al.

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and Encoding Genes

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Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed February 11, 2000 for four (4) months from April 11, 2000 to and including August 11, 2000.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-3425 in the amount of \$1,360.00 to cover the cost of the extension. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No.08-3425. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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